

was last committed prior to July 1, 1947. Each quarter the commissioner shall notify each county of the amount due under this section.

Sec. 6. [246.55] **Appeal from order of commissioner.** Any patient or relative aggrieved by an order of the commissioner under this act may appeal from such order to the district court of the county in which he resides by serving notice of such appeal on the commissioner and filing the notice, with proof of service thereof, in the office of the clerk of the district court of such county within 30 days from the date the order was mailed, or such later date not exceeding one year from the date of mailing as permitted by order of such court. Such appeal may be brought on for hearing by the appellant or the commissioner upon ten days' written notice. It shall be tried to the court which shall hear such evidence as it deems necessary and by order affirm or modify the order of the commissioner. When any order or determination of the commissioner made under this act is brought in question on such appeal, such order or determination shall be determined de novo. Appeal to the supreme court from the order of the district court may be taken in the same manner as appeals are taken from appealable orders in civil actions.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 526.01 to 526.07 and 246.47 to 246.49, and Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 246.31, Subdivision 4, as amended by Laws 1951, Chapter 173, are hereby repealed.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 579—S. F. No. 1064

An act relating to the revisor of statutes; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Sections 482.02; 482.03; 482.09; and 482.12.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 482.02, is amended to read:

482.02 **Appointment, salary.** The supreme court shall appoint to the office of revisor of statutes a person qualified to perform the duties imposed upon the office at an annual salary *which it shall fix unless otherwise provided for by law*, and he shall be reimbursed for any necessary traveling ex-

penses, who shall hold office at the pleasure of the supreme court.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 482.03, is amended to read:

482.03 Assistants; office rooms, furniture and supplies.
Subdivision 1. Subject to the approval of the supreme court, the revisor of statutes shall employ, and may fix the compensation of, such legal, technical, research, clerical, and stenographic assistants as may be necessary to expeditiously and efficiently discharge the duties imposed upon the office and shall procure necessary office furniture and supplies. The commissioner of administration shall furnish the revisor of statutes with suitable and adequate office rooms easily accessible to members of the legislature.

Subd. 2. *With the approval of the supreme court and when full-time personnel is not available to carry out his duties, the revisor of statutes may contract for legal, technical, research, clerical, or stenographic services. Any contractor under this subdivision shall be subject to the prohibitions and limitations applicable to the revisor of statutes except as otherwise provided in section 4.*

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 482.09, is amended to read:

482.09 Duties. In addition to the duties now imposed upon him, the revisor of statutes, *to the extent that personnel and availability of appropriations permit*, shall:

(1) Maintain and conduct within his office a bill drafting department and, upon request, draft or aid in drafting bills, resolutions, and memorials, and amendments thereto, for any member of the legislature, the governor, or any department or agency of the state. *Any drafts thereof may contain headnotes, if not prohibited by the rules of the legislature or either house thereof, and headnotes shall be subject to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 648.36;*

(2) Accumulate data regarding the practical operation and effect of statutes of this and other states;

(3) Maintain a card index of bills and resolutions introduced at sessions of the legislature;

(4) Prepare, and have available for use, indexes of all the laws of this state;

(5) Keep and file copies of all bills, resolutions, me-

memorials, amendments, committee reports, journals, and documents prepared by him;

(6) Upon request of any committee or commission created by the legislature or appointed by the governor to make a study of or to revise the laws pertaining to any subject, prepare and advise in the preparation of any bill;

(7) Prepare and issue styles and forms for drafting bills and other legislative measures for the use of members of the legislature, state officers, and persons interested in the drafting of bills for introduction; and

(8) Render such other services as the legislature, or either branch thereof, may request.;

(9) Report to each regular biennial session of the legislature concerning any statutory changes recommended or discussed or statutory deficiencies noted in any opinion of the supreme court of Minnesota filed during the two-year period immediately preceding September 30 of the year preceding the year in which the session is held, together with such comment as may be necessary to outline clearly the legislative problem reported.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 482.12, is amended to read:

482.12 Prohibitions; limitations. Subdivision 1. Neither the revisor of statutes nor any employee of his office shall reveal to any person not an employee of the office the contents or nature of any request or statement for the drafting of a bill, resolution, memorial, or amendment thereto, except with the consent of the person making the request or statement.

Subd. 2. Neither the revisor of statutes nor any employee of his office shall urge or oppose any legislation.

Subd. 3. Neither the revisor of statutes nor any employee of his office shall give any member of the legislature advice concerning the legal, economic, or social effect of any bill or proposed bill, except upon the request of the member.

Subd. 4. *Neither the revisor of statutes nor any employee of his office shall engage in the general practice of law. This subdivision shall not be applicable to an attorney at law assisting the revisor of statutes as either a part-time employee or as an independent contractor. Such a person, however, with reference to any work submitted to him by the revisor of statutes shall be subject to the prohibitions and*

limitations applicable to the employees of the revisor of statutes as contained in subdivisions 1, 2, and 3.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 580—H. F. No. 725

[Not Coded]

An act relating to library services in the Town of Balkan in St. Louis County; authorizing the board of supervisors to levy and collect taxes and administer funds so collected.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. **Library tax levy.** Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, the board of supervisors of the town of Balkan in St. Louis county may levy and collect a tax not to exceed one-quarter of one mill per year on the assessed valuation of the town for the purpose of providing a special library fund for the town. The special library fund shall be administered by the board of supervisors to provide more adequate public library services to the town of Balkan. The board of supervisors may contract with the governing body of any free public library located in any municipality adjacent to the town of Balkan for these services. The tax authorized by this section is in addition to any tax authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Section 375.33.

Sec. 2. This act takes effect when approved by a majority of the board of supervisors of the town of Balkan.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 581—H. F. No. 1856

An act relating to commissioners of port authorities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 471.88 as amended by Laws 1959, Chapter 99.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1957, Section 471.88, as amended by Laws 1959, Chapter 99, is amended to read:

471.88 Exceptions. The governing body of any *port authority*, town, school district, village, or city, by unanimous